The individual is opposed to the race. Effort toward individualization.

Under another form this amounts to repeating the remark of Darwin and of many others: "The creatures placed on the lower rungs of the ladder are more variable than those which are at the top." *(Origin of Species, p.* 161.)

But once the top is reached, it is in the individual that this variability reappears.

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FOB PAUL LAURENS

"Don't you think the word that we were seeking the other day, and which by defining our thought would have given us a better chance of understanding it more fully, is simply *shrewdness*—yes, artistic shrewdness. And what brings this word to mind is a passage of Buffon that I was reading yesterday which seems to contain in germ our conversation at Yport: "Through the *shrewdness* conferred by the constant habit of writing, one *can feel in advance* what will be the result of all these operations of the mind/*

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CONCERNING JUDGMENTS

. . . and recalling that of notes of music among themselves: When the E flat entered the drawing-room, the C and the G looked upon her as a third person.

"She's a dominant one,** thought the A flat, while the E natural exclaimed:

"I know her: she's my leading note/*

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PRODIGAL SON

When he returns to the house he blames himself for having left. . . .

And when he sees again this little garden from which he proiooised himself so much delight, he is amazed not to find the flowers larger, the fruits more tasty, and the affection of his family more joyfully effusive.

Whether he be named St. Paul, Luther, or Calvin, I see him as be-
clouding the whole truth of God.

It is worthy of consideration that the two most *solemn* dramas that
antiquity has bequeathed to us, *CEdipus* and *Prometheus** offer us, one